District Judge Ricardo S. Martinez 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 9 RURAL GREEN I LIMITED Case No. 2:24-cv-00143-RSM 10 PARTNERSHIP, et al., Plaintiffs, STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD CASE IN ABEYANCE AND 11 v. ORDER 12 UR MENDOZA JADDOU, et al., Noted for Consideration: 13 Defendants. March 11, 2024 14 15 Plaintiffs and Defendants, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal 16 Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 7(d)(1), 10(g), and 16, jointly stipulate and move to stay these proceedings through June 7, 2024. Plaintiffs brought this litigation pursuant to the 17 18 Administrative Procedure Act and Mandamus Act seeking, inter alia, to compel the U.S. 19 Citizenship and Immigration Services ("USCIS") to adjudicate their Form I-956Fs, 20 Applications for Approval of an Investment in Commercial Enterprise. Defendants' response to 21 the complaint is currently due on April 8, 2024. The parties are currently working towards a 22 resolution to this litigation. For good cause, the parties request that the Court continue to hold 23

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the case in abeyance until June 7, 2024.

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1	Courts have "broad discretion" to stay proceedings. Clinton v. Jones, 520 U.S. 681, 706
2	(1997). "[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to
3	control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for
4	counsel, and for litigants." Landis v. N. Am. Co., 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); see also Fed. R
5	Civ. P. 1.
6	With additional time, this case may be resolved without the need of further judicia
7	intervention. On March 8, 2024, USCIS issued Notices of Intent to Deny ("NOIDs") to
8	Plaintiffs for both Form I-956F applications at issue. Plaintiffs must respond to the NOIDs by
9	April 9, 2024. After receipt of the responses, USCIS will review and take further action on the
10	Form I-956 applications.
11	As additional time is necessary for this to occur, the parties request that the Court hold
12	the case in abeyance through June 7, 2024. The parties will submit a joint status report on or
13	before June 7, 2024.
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ORDER The case is held in abeyance until June 7, 2024. The parties shall submit a joint status report on or before June 7, 2024. It is so **ORDERED**. DATED this 12th day of March, 2024. UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE